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AND THERAPY OF DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH WOUNDED OR
INFLAMED TISSUE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment, which is responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed March 12, 2007, is filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-captioned application. Entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks respectfully are requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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